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How the Sultan Goes to Church. Frederick T. Martin writes to the Troy Times from Constantinople, giving an account of the spectacle presented during the Sultan's passage from his palace to the Mosque. He says: After breakfast we repaired to the shore of the Bosphorus, and threaded our way as best we could through the dense masses of peo-ple, and by the aid of great good fortune managed to get upon one of the project-ing docks or jettles which run out from the shore, thereby getting an unexceptionally good view. Picture to yourself a lovely, cloudless day, the banks of the rushing Bosphorus lined with one seeth-ing mass of human beings, kept back by a continuous line of troops, with bands of music stationed at short intervals. From our standing wint we could command the marble was of the Sultan's palace, and we do not been standing many minutes before the sound of a great trumpet was to be heard, and we knew it was announcing the opening of the doors of the Sultan's palace, and that he was about to descend to his barge. The proeession had no sooner commenced to move from the palace than the firing of guns commenced from a fort situated above the palace, which was immediately taken up and answered by the men-ofwar in the bay, and amid the shouts of the populace, strains of music and the boom of many guns, the most imposing spectacle that I ever expect to see commenced its progress. As it passed on, well as I can the order of the procession. staff, standing in the same manner as the first, motionless as a statue. The following and third barge contained His Ma-jesty the Sultan, and I shall ever retain a vivid remembrance of the splendor of this sight. This barge was rowed by twenty-four men, and their motions were a perfect wonder to me. At every stroke they rose and stepped forward, and then receded to their seats with wonderful precision and regularity. The Sultan sat in the stern, under a magnificent canopy of crimson velvet, the deep fringes of gold reflecting the rays of the Two of his staff stood motionless

see that we had seen something we should never see again in our lives. The sur-roundings, the brilliant sky above our heads, the crowds of shipping of every nation, and the people in their pictur-esque costumes, the music and the roar of the gans, all conduced to deepen the impression on our minds. A Pigeon Roost.

before him, with their arms folded across their breasts and their heads bowed low,

tension to state and show than did this

'shadow of God upon earth." One order

only glittered upon his breast, and he wore the usual Turkish fez. The Sultan's barge was followed by two others, similar to those that preceded it, but, instead of

bowing towards his face, the officers were

obliged to bow towards his back. We stood watching the procession until it was quite out of sight, and we could but

see that we had seen something we should

Rochester Delnocrat 1 Sportsmen will doubtless be interested in the fact that there are countless millions of pigeons to be found within one hundred miles of this city. The country lying between the main line of the Eric Railway from Corning to Buffalo, and the Rochester branch from Corning to Avon, is literally alive with the birds. Their roosting place is situated in a wild mountain one region west of Corners. mountainous region west of Coopers, N. Y., a few miles this side of Corning, and embraces a tract of land from seven to ten miles square, heavily timbered, and aubroken by clearings or highways, from

weeks ago and have advanced farther weeks ago and have advanced farther west daily, until they now fly as far west as Springwater. During the present week they will in all probability be found at all points along the Genesce Valley and scattered over the surrounding country, and there is a prospect that a considerable number of the birds will build their peets and of the birds will build their nests and breed in this county and those adjoining. The writer took a trip to Campbell's last week with excellent success. Opposite the village of Campbell's are three high hills; on the top of the center one of our party took up a position, and when the flight commenced, about 5:30 p.m., we could not load and fire fast enough to take the flocks as they charged upon us like the waves of the ocean. The flight lasted an hour, the roaring of our guns, the exhilarating excitement and the lively running to and fro of a small army of boys picking up the dead birds, made the scene a most animating one. From our elevated position we commanded a view of the position we commanded a view of the country for ten or twelve miles in length and five or six in width, and for the entire distance immense flocks could be seen stretching out in long lines until lost in the distance. When nearing the "roost," several flocks arriving simultaneously would sweep together into one immense flock and alight in the trees in a thick mass, seemingly covering an

NEWS FOR SMOKERS.

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Interesting Facts About Cigars— The Different Varieties and Prices It is strange, among nations of smokers other than the Cubans or Spaniards, how little understood are the distinctive marks by which manufacturers indicate the make, shape, size, color and quality of cigars. One may frequently hear a gentleman offer a Concha, a Regalia or gentleman offer a Conche, a Regalia or a Londre, under the impression that they convey the idea of some superior brand of especially fine quality. Instead of this they only offer a cigar of a certain size or shape, the quality of which may be anything from the finest "Upmann" or "Carbarga" to the poorest "Connecticut." Or you are offered a good Maduro, which is not made by Mr. Maduro, but it is simply a cigar of a ripe or dark

but it is simply a cigar of a ripe or dark color. But to any one, with a scant smat-tering of Spanish, the various marks used by the trade en cigar boxes are readily explainable. First and most important of these is, of course, the brand, so called from being usually burned on the box by a hot iron. This is either the name of the proprietor, manufacturing firm or the special fancy name given to the factory, in accord-ance with a Cuban custom which so de-Pearl," "The Rose of Seville," etc., or as though Ball, Black & Co.'s establishment were here known as the "Golden Eagle," instead of by their name.

The brands, then, are either such as "Upmann & Co.," "Cabana y Carbajal," "Carbarga & Co.," or the well known "Figaro," "La Corona," "Flor del Fumar," (The Flower of Smoking), etc. These are the special trade marks of the ds struck up, and I felt | factories indicated. Next in order comes I had never been present at such a won-derful sight before. I will describe as shape, and the terms used are, as a rule, well as I can the order of the procession. The barges were all of burnished gold and glittered in the sun, the bows and sterns sloping gracefully up. There were five in all. The first was rowed by twelve men and occupied by only a single aid de-camp, who stood motionless, with his arms crossed upon his breast, and his head bowed towards the boat of the Sultan's land. The second was rowed by sixteen men, and contained two of the Sultan's land most familiar of these to our ears now, are: Regalia—about the same as our word "present," or "gift"—the largest ordinary size. Media Regalia—a smaller cigar, etc. Londres—a medinm size for length thickness, so called and as being a favorite size in England. Breas being a favorite size in England. Brevas-named from a luscious variety of the fig crown in Spain. Concha-meaning a "shell," but really named after the late Captain General Concha. Napoleoues and Imperiales are extra large fancy sizes, but little used, except for

showy presents. Among shape and size marks there are two, now seldom heard, but no doubt familiar to many readers—the Trabuco ("Blunderbuss,") a short, thick, "dumpy" cigar; and its direct opposite, the Pane-tela ("Sponge-cake,") a long, slim article, apt to be hard rolled and difficult to smoke, evidently the sort referred to by Dr. Holmes in his "Latter-Day Warn-

and they did not alter positions in the alightest all the time they were in sight. The only contrast to all this splendor was the Sultan himself. A Republican President could not have made less preings "When Cuba's weeds have quite forgot The power of suction to resist."

Another indicator of the style of cigar, or more properly its style of packing, is found in two words—Cilindrados and Preasados-which may be applied to any size and shape. The first merely signifies that they are in cylindrical bunches, rolled in paper and tied with ribbon; the second that they are pressed while moist, so as to present two flat surfaces. Next in order come the in-dices of quality, or grade of tobacco. Flor ("Flower") is now themost usual mark for the best, or what used to be called "Firsts;" Segundo ("Second,") or, with some makers, Superior, for the next, lower grades, known as "Thirds," are not generally marked, although some factories use Bueno ("Good") for the quality. These marks are stenciled usually on one end of the box while on the other is the indication of color ex-

the other is the indication of color ex-pressed by the proper Spanish word.

These again are combined to fit inter-mediate shades—as, Colorado Claro (light brown), Colorado Maduro (dark brown). These guides to color are, how-ever, not very accurate, as the light brown of one box may open as dark as the simple brown of excelber.

the sample brown of another.

With these explanations, then, it will be readily understood that if a friend offers a "Regalia del Rey, Carbarga, Colorado, Flor," he tenders a King Regalia, Brown, First Quality, and it is hard to

Fashion is fickle in cigars, as in other matters, and the brand or shape in vogue to day is out of favor to morrow. which they issue at daylight and scatter over the country for many miles in have disappeared, like the Trabucos and search of food, which consists principally of acorns. The birds made their iblack little Princess, of fine Yara to appearance near Coopers about three bacco, with its snow-white ash, is no 110-t

more seen of men. In those days, too, a first class eigar could be had for thirty-live dollars the thousand—the "good old times!" Eheu fugaces! How have the smoky risen!

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